Minutes

The City of Frederick Mayor and Board of Aldermen Workshop June 28, 2021

- I. Mayor Michael O'Connor called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Also, present were Alderman Roger Wilson, Alderwoman Kelly Russell, Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak, and Alderman Derek Shackelford. Alderman Ben MacShane was not present.
- II. On a motion made by Alderman Kelly Russell and seconded by Alderman Roger Wilson, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the June 23, 2021 minutes, with one abstention Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak, and one absence Alderman Ben MacShane.

III. Business Meeting

A. Grants

On a motion made by Alderman Roger Wilson and seconded by Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak, the Board voted 4-0 to approve items A.1, A.2, and A.3. Alderman Ben MacShane was not present.

- 1. Acceptance of an FY 2022 GOCCP Body Armor Grant from the Governor's Office of Crime Control Prevention, Youth and Victim Services in the amount of \$4,740.00.
- 2. Acceptance of a Health Literacy Grant in partnership with Asian American Center of Frederick and the University of Maryland from the Department of Health and Human Services in the amount of \$3,939.842.
- 3. Acceptance of Supplemental funding from the Maryland Department of Human Services, Office of Home Energy Programs in the amount of \$10,180.00.

B. Special Ordinances

On a motion made by Alderwoman Kelly Russell and seconded by Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak, the Board voted 4-0 to approve item B.1, B.2, and B.3. Alderman Ben MacShane was not present.

- 1. Approval of a Special Ordinance to amend the FY 2022 Budget to include revenue and associated expenditures for a FY 2022 GOCCP Body Armor Grant from the Governor's Office of Crime Control Prevention, Youth and Victim Services.
- 2. Approval of a Special Ordinance to amend the FY 2022 Budget to include revenue and associated expenditures for a Health Literacy Grant in partnership with Asian American Center of Frederick and the University of Maryland.
- 3. Approval of a Special Ordinance to amend the FY 2022 Budget to include revenue and associated expenditures for Supplemental funding from the Maryland Department of Human Services, Office of Home Energy Programs.

C. Release of Surety

On a motion made by Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak and seconded by Alderman Derek Shackelford, the Board voted 4-0 to approve item C.1, C.2, and C.3. Alderman Ben MacShane was not present.

- Approval to release Hanover Insurance Company Bond in the amount of \$37,320.21 posted by Wormald Development Company to guarantee Grading/SEC, Street Trees and Driveway Aprons at Worman's Mill, Section 7B lots 355,356,366,367,376 &384 further described PWA dated 02/21/2018
- 2. Approval to release The Continental Insurance Company Bond in the amount of \$144,788.45 posted by Becker Building Company, LLC to guarantee on-site afforestation to The Preserve at Tuscarora, further described in FCA dated 02/27/2020.
- 3. Approval to release The Continental Insurance Company Bond in the amount of \$3,820.30 posted by Carol Lee Lasick and Marianne Rallas to guarantee on-site afforestation to The Preserve at Tuscarora, further described in FCA dated 02/27/2020. (Note: this FCA/Surety has been replaced by Forestar (USA) Real Estate Group per FCA/Surety dated 05/14/2021.
- D. Release of Surety and Acceptance of Public Improvements.

 On a motion made by Alderman Derek Shackelford and seconded by Alderwoman Donna Kuzemchak, the Board voted 4-0 to approve items D.1, and D.2. Alderman Ben MacShane was not present.
 - 1. Approval to release The Guarantee Company of North America USA Bond in the amount of \$78,875.64 posted by WDC Investments, LLC to guarantee Grading/SEC,Water, Storm Drain, Curb&Gutter, Sidewalk, and Street Lights at Worman's Mill, Section 7B Plat 9 (Mill Island) further described in PWA dated 11/02/2018 and to acceptance of Arbor Square Drive (Stations 14+50 to 12+50), Monocacy Ford Road (Stations 2+15 to 9+10), Monocacy Ford Alley (Stations 4+00 to 7+00), Sanctuary Lane (Stations 5+35 to 8+00), 10' Alley (Stations 0+35 to 2+95), 10' Alley (Stations 8+30 to 7+00).
 - 2. Approval to release The Guarantee Company of North America USA Bond in the amount of \$28,241.70 posted by WDC Investments, LLC to guarantee Grading/SEC,Water, Storm Drain, Curb&Gutter, Sidewalk, and Street Lights at Worman's Mill, Section 7B Plat 13 further described in PWA dated 11/09/2018 and to acceptance of Brook Valley Road (Stations 9+35 to 13+80).

IV. Workshop

 Presentation by Mary Ford-Naill, Manager of Economic Development and Saundra Wassler, President of the Board of Directors of the Golden Mile Alliance of the Golden Mile Alliance Year end review for 2021.

No public comment was received.

- 2. Presentation by Ramenta Cottrell, Director of Housing and Human Services and Dave Jordan, Urban Design Ventures, Consultant for City of Frederick.
 - Discussion of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY 2019 Annual Action Plan –
 Substantial Amendments. No public comment was received.
- 3. Presentation by Ramenta Cottrell, Director of Housing and Human Services and Dave Jordan, Urban Design Ventures, Consultant for City of Frederick.
 - Discussion of the FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan No Public Comment was received.

Elected Officials' Comments - Aldermen Derek Shackelford: Our community had a sense of lost last Sunday in V. Reverend James Sherman Mason Jr. who passed away. Yesterday both Aldermen Wilson and I attended his celebration of life services. We would like to say thank you to his family for allowing him to be shared with so many in our community, because our community is better because of his service and his commitment to our city and Frederick County, Alderwomen Russell: I could not have said it better, Thank you. No Comment from Aldermen Roger Wilson or Alderwomen Donna Kuzemchak. Aldermen Ben MacShane was not present. Mayor O'Connor: It was a pleasure to be out at the Lidl opening this morning at 7:00 a.m. to see a line that stretched down to basically to the drycleaners place for people to get in. The first shopper in the store this morning arrived at the store at 10:30 p.m. the night before and camped out to be the first person. That is commitment and you could tell by the excitement in the crowd and the management on site from the corporation that they are excited to be in Frederick and Frederick is excited to have them as well. The presentation by the Golden Mile, and the new businesses that have arrived over the last several years out there is really a testament to the thriving commercial corridor that area has always been and continues to be. Good things are happening! National Night Out will be next Tuesday, August 3rd 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at four locations throughout the City: Hill Street Park, Mullinix Park, Carrolllton Park, and Lucas Village. This is a great opportunity whether you live in those neighborhoods or not to come out. There will be exhibits and performers, activities, vendors, and food in all those locations; a great opportunity after sixteen months of being holed up. Getting out and being with your community. I would encourage you to probably have a mask with you as not everyone is vaccinated, particularly our children. Anything we can do to keep people safe is probably the best idea as we continue to watch the data on these new variants. It will be an exciting opportunity for a return to community and normalcy.

Meeting adjourned at: 3:48.04pm

Respectfully submitted, Interim Office Manager, Jean T. Parker